



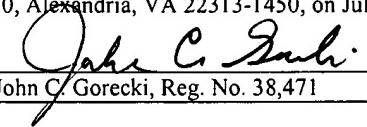
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In response to the Election/Restriction Requirement dated June 2, 2004, applicants elect species 1, disclosed and illustrated in Figs. 1-3 (claims 1-7) without traverse.

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